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Facts about the Law

Romans 7:7-12

I. *The law _____ sin (v. 7).*

(Romans 3:20; 4:15; 5:13; Galatians 3:19; I John 3:4).

II. *The law _____ sin (v. 8).*

opportunity – referred to a starting point or a base of operations for an expedition

III. *The law brings _____ (vv. 9-11).*

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law
(I Corinthians 15:56).

IV. *The law rightly _____ the character of God (v. 12).*

The law, like a tutor, leads us to instruction regarding God's character and His standard for how we are to live our lives and the obedience He requires. It also informs us and enacts upon us the penalty incurred for failing to comply completely and perfectly with God's law. Its purpose is to prepare us, protect us, discipline us, and lead us to a day of freedom – freedom in Christ.

Discussion Points:

1. God's Word (the law) reveals sin. Why should this truth be important to both unbelievers and believers? How should one respond when sin is revealed?
2. Name some specific ways in which the law awakens sin within a person – both believers and unbelievers.
3. How is a person deceived into thinking that the law produces life? Why is this thinking so dangerous?
4. Is it possible for a believer to have a wrong perspective and motive for obeying God's law? If so, how?
5. According to verse 12, what is the nature of the law? Why is this important?
6. From Romans 7:7-12, identify at least one specific truth that you can apply to your life this week.